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Members who attended our last meeting, June 11th were instructively entertained by Professor Leon S. Johnston and received considerable benefit by "open forum".

We are pleased to acknowledge the gift to our Society by Mr. Howard Finley, author of "The Covenantor and the Frontier", a historical little book containing chronicles of the Reformed and associate Presbyterian Churches, congregations and preachers from the earliest records in America to the beginning of the 19th century, mostly concerning their trek westward along what became known as the Mason and Dixon line. Mr. Finley has also had placed in our files a newspaper clipping containing a historical account of Ohio during the earliest days of settlement, particularly that of Guernsey County.

We now have in our files a completed list of the "Descendants of Thomas Merrill of Hartford, Connecticut". The first date mentioned is the year of 1644. This report is indexed and is available to our members, for which we thank Mr. L. A. Merrill.

An interesting column has been conducted the past several months in "Hobbies, The Magazine for Collectors", by Mabel Louise Keech, a member of our society. The writings have been so enthusiastically received that Miss Keech has been asked to continue the column. In the August number, Miss Keech has fully discussed the Howard family. There is also a Query and Reply column in this Genealogical Department of Hobbies.

For the correction and completion of the progenitor cards, Mr. Merrill requests that each one of you make a list of all your emigrant ancestors as given on your ancestor charts (Form No. 1.) with all the book references you possibly can. Make one copy for yourself and one for the officers of the society just as soon as possible.

One member of our society just discovered that she has had in her posession for years a book, entitled, "Drakes Indians of North America", containing accounts of the earliest Indian wars, with many names of our ancestors, who fought for American freedom. Mrs. Cleveland will gladly look up names for you, and suggests that you look over your old books and records for information that may be of value to someone.

Mrs. DeBoos has been collecting a large amount of information; clippings from Madison, Wis., particularly regarding the Foote family, a list of names obtained from cemeteries in Warren, Macomb County and other data which has been placed in the Burton files.

THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Another year has gone by and now we look forward to a new year and likewise to a new administration in our Society.

Let us all strive to the end for which all of the retiring staff of officers so industriously worked; increased membership and increased service to our members, the Burton Staff and to the genealogical world at large.

It was with genuine regret that your President found it necessary to remove to the West Coast and take up his residence there, before the term of his office was completed. There were so many loose threads to catch up, so many things to be completed through the summer months that there is a feeling of incompleteness on his part that cannot be lightly brushed away.

However if compensation may be made in any way from this far distant point, it is to be hoped that opportunity may be given him to bridge the gap, and in some way complete his service.

Here in Los Angeles, in the State of California, I welcome your letters and queries. Write as often as you care to. It will be a pleasure to hear from all of you. It will serve to break the loneliness that I shall always feel for the companionships that I must now forego.

There is a fine library here with a goodly collection of genealogical works and family histories. Perhaps I can be of assistance to you who are having difficulty in locating some certain data, that may be available here. At any rate, you may be assured of prompt answers to your queries.

I want to thank each and every one of you for the fine co-operation that you have given me. I am proud to have had the honor of holding the chief office in our Society. If the past year has been a success in the minds of the membership, it is entirely due to the entire organization, each one of you included.

I thank you all heartily.

And now, perhaps, the last Epitaph that shall adorn this page for many days to come. I hope you'll like it.

From Gloucester, England.

Beneath this dust lies the moldering crust
Of Eleanor Batchelor Shoven;
Well versed in the arts of pies, puddings and tarts,
And the lucrative trade of the oven.

When she'd lived long enough,
She made her last puff,
A puff by her husband much praised;
And now she doth lie
And makes a dirt pie,
And hopes that her crust may be raised.

Au revoir.

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Harold E. Moyer, President.

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Our Recording Secretary, Elijah H. Owen, reports that he attended the Second Annual Reunion of the Descendants of John Owen (1622-99) of Windsor, Ct. held at Wake Robin Inn, Lakeville, Ct on Saturday, June 18th. Some 35 or 40 descendants were present from points as far removed as Rhode Island and California and plans were made for an active year in the research which will eventually culminate in a comprehensive history of the family.

"Lige", who is genealogist of the Association, read a paper in which he declared that two or three of John Owen's grandsons showed good judgement in removing to this beautiful part of old Litchfiled County, in and around Sharon and Salisbury. Here was found iron ore and some of the descendants were actively engaged in its mining and smelting in the early days. Ore was at one time carted over the state line to Ancram, N. Y., to the old forge located there. This may explain the presence in Columbia County of Zaccheus and other unidentified Owens.

From these Connecticut hills, the "Hills of Home" on and on into the western wilderness, trudged many representatives of this as well as other families. Any notes concerning Owen descendants will be gratefully received by the above mentioned member of our Society.

Queries

156 Whitney (J 3)
Wants parentage of Samuel Whitney who married Sibyl Phillips. She was born May 8, 1769. Their children were: Herman, Lucy, who married William Cumming (2nd wife), Elijah who went to Sacketts Harbor, Alvah, Philip, Amanda, Mary or Polly and Sabrina. Sibyl Phillips was the daughter of Duncan or Daniel Phillips. Samuel Whitney had a brother Seth and a brother Elisha or Elijah and a sister, Ann who married Mr. Grant. Seth Whitney served in Rev. War. He had a daughter who married Mr. Palmer and they had a son, Thomas Palmer who married Mary McGilfrey. A sister of Sibyl Phillips married Egbert Hird or Hurd. Elijah Whitney had Orwin Whitney, Ann Whealon, Rachael Houch, Helen, Jake and Samuel Whitney (a cousin of Samuel Whitney Cumming). Lucy Whitney and Wm. Cumming had Samuel Whitney Cumming born in Delhi, New York Nov. 1, 1828. (Wm. Cumming was married first to Miss Redfield.)

157 Morgan (K 8)
Wants parentage of James Morgan, who is supposed to be a descendant of the "immigrant James Morgan (1607-1685)". James Morgan born _____ d _____ Married March 1, 1784 to Sarah (Sally) Dodge who was the dau. of Jonathan Dodge and Mercy Williams of Colchester, Conn. b. June 3, 1764 at Colchester, Conn.

Their children were born in Kent, Conn
1. Sally, b. Jan. 27, 1786
2. Herman b. Feb 28. 1788
3. Henry b. Feb 22 1790
4. .....b. and d. Jan. 1792

158 Pierce, Randall (M1)
Who were the Parents of Eunice Pierce? She was the 1st wife of Jared Randall, Jr. M. Nov. 25, 1834, res. Adams, N. Y. and vicinity. Buried Pierpont Manor, N. Y. Gravestone Record b. Mar. 13, 1813, d. Sept. 26, 1844. Family record states that she was b. Pawtucket, R. I. and that she left three children, Henry Augustine, George Holly, and Helen Cornelia Randall, and that Eunice Elizabeth Pierce was m at Utica, N. Y.

158-2 ROBINSON, Jenkins, (M-1)
Who was mother of Ensign Joshua 6 Jenkins of Falmouth, Mass.? Joshua 6 was b at Falmouth, Mass. 1783 or 1784 and was son of Joseph and g son of Joshua and Hannah (Handy) Jenkins of Falmouth. A Cape Cod correspondent states that in Jenkins Family Ms. she is named Elizabeth Robinson. Jenkins Family by Samuel B. Jenkins of W. Barnstable, Mass. states that Elizabeth Robinson (Wid. of Joseph 5 Jenkins was descendant of Rev. John Robinson of Leyden) m 2nd Weston Jenkins. Weston was gt. g son of John 2 (Isaac) and Joseph 5 was also gt. g son of John 2. Joshua and his brother Joseph settled on opposite sides of N. Y.-Pa. state line in 1826 south of Chautauqua Lake. The Robinson Family gives Elizabeth that m Weston Jenkins b. 1774 (Zenas 5/ John 4/ Timothy 3/ John 2/ Isaac Robinson). Joseph 6 Jenkins had s Weston.

158-3 Gilbert, Gleason (M-2)
Who were the parents of Olive Gilbert? Family bible says that she was b Rutland Co. Vt. m. June 17, 1797 Putnam Gleason and she d Apr. 18, 1853 Friendship, N. Y. She had m_____Taylor and was charter member of the Friendship Congregational Church, 1835; Putnam had sisters Laura and Bissell and brothers Sherman and Sackett. These are new names in Gleason family after m of Jacob Gleason Sr. to 2nd w Ruth _____, Putnam had dau Laura who d soon and next ch was named Laura Bissell. I believe that Putnam's mother was Ruth Bissell. Putnam's and Olive's 10th ch Sylvia Diana was b Rutland Co. Vt. Oct. 22, 1819.

159-1 Mitchell, (W-1)
Wants parentage of Jared Mitchell b 1772 (bible record) d. Waterford, Wis. 1864, Mar. Southbury, Conn. May 13, 1792 to Sarah Ann King b. 1777, d. Aug. 1832 (M. ref. ancient Woodbury Hist.)

159-2 Mund or Munn (W-1)
Wants parentage of Betty Munn or Mund b. 1755, d. 1833 (Bible Records), m Southbury, Conn. 1772, Oct. Simeon King, b. Woodbury, Conn. May 14, 1748 d. 1775 (Ref. Hist. Ancient Woodbury).

T-3 Paul H. Townsend desires parentage of the following:

160 Taylor, Ruth (1760-1838) who m. Seth Alvord of South Hadley, Mass. and Wilmington, Vt.

160-1 Scott, Rebecca (1718-1820) who m. Jonathan Childs (1718-Mar. 11, 1807) of Northfield and Greenfield.

160-2 Thompson, Anna (1764-Oct. 3, 1838) who m. Jonathan Childs (1756-July 31, 1819) son of above Jonathan. He was at Hardwick, Mass. & Wilmington, Vt.

160-3 Ross, Abigail who m John Hazelton at Bradford, Mass Aug. 21, 1701 Could this name have been Rolfe (Roff) and not Ross as given in Bradford Vital Records?

161 O 1 Wants Ancestry of Abigail Chamberlin who married Apr. 25, 1744 (Wallingford V R) Hezekiah Lewis (1720 1764) of Wallingford, Ct.

161 1 O 1 Wants Ancestry of Rebecca Burnham, who married Ephraim Bidwell (1719 1777) of Glastonbury Ct

161 2 O 1 Wants Ancestry & wife of Matthew Brown of Palmer, Mass by 1732, who died Apr 30, 1766 ae 80

161 3 O 1 Wants Ancestry of Hannah Smith who married James Babson (1717 1759) of Gloucester, Mass

Answers

145 C 5 has received several replies to this query regarding Fowler ancestry Valuable leads from Mrs Geo L Austin, whose information resulted in considerable correspondence with Fowler relatives; Mr Clarence R Martin called attention to current numbers of N Y Gen and Biog Rec containing several pages of information; and Miss Bessie M West provided information in connection with her own ancestry, however, up to date, the information requested has not yet been received, therefore would desire further information

150 S 4 who desired any information regarding Hunt Taylor Isaac Taylor was the father in law of Jos. Drake Jr whose sister Mary Drake mar Wm Fowler of Flushing, N Y Isaac d Jan 1711 In the same Fowler family is recorded; Rachael Hunt, d 1760 (date of her will), mar Edmund Fowler d 1747 (date of his will) they had a son, Solomon, Mar 1761 to Sarah Hunt who was a sister of Thos Hunt of Westchester, N Y Solomon was killed 1780 This information may be a lead

131 Green and 128 Rodman
Mr Hallam Spencer Whitney 2150 West 83rd St., Cleveland, Ohio, has these lines Will reply

130 Ford Mrs Georgianna Ford Robinson R D #2, Rankin, Ill has much Ford data and will exchange Miss Leora Wilson, 27½ Main St , Canisteo, N Y has this same Ford Sargent family as it pertains to Steuben Co but not earlier material

145 C5 James Fowler and Joan, Tewkesbury Eng son, William Fowler, b Tewkesbury Eng 1560, son William Fowler, d. 1661 son
John Fowler, m Mary Hubbard son, Abraham Fowler, b Aug 1652
d Ded 1720, m Elizabeth Bartlett
references Fifty Puritan Ancestors, Pg 162
His Guilford, Conn by Smith Pg 126
Fowler geneal in New Eng Gen Reg 1857 Pg 247

Mr Mcfee has received answers to his queries from Mr R F Keeler, Mrs Z R Peterson has also contributed valuable information on Hutchinson and Dyer families

M 1:
ANSWERS also leads to follow

145 C 5 See Fowler data in current numbers of N Y Gen & Biog Rec

144 S-4 See Hubbard Memorial and Bliss Family in Burton.

139 S-4 Abigail King dau. Thomas and Abigail b Mar. 13, 1758, Brimfield vital records. Her mother was Abigail Warriner b. Jan. 1, 1733 Brimfield, v. r. Mass. Complete lineage of Abigail Warriner to all her colonial progenitors is now known by S-4 but who was Thomas King called of Vt. in Warriner family book. Abigail m him Oct. 3, 1751; B.v.r.

126 W-5 Please give M-1 more data on your Dutchess Co. Martin lineage query and I hope that I can assist you from some of my unconnected data. William, John, and George are common names in my Martin family.

121 R-4 Have you checked the very valuable foot notes in the Hamlin family by Andrews? This is in Reserve at Burton and (Indexed) notes are of allied families and those of similar name.

89 W-5 For Quaker records write John Cox Jr. #7 E. 42nd St. New York City. Mr. Cox is the Custodian of Quaker records and he will arrange appointment to see the records at fee of $1 per hour or will search for you at same rate.

"Genealogy is not a service to the past generations, but it is a service to the coming generations."

We quote the following information obtained from Mrs. H. M. Lathrop, 105 Beacon St. Black Rock, Bridgeport, Conn.:

William Penfield b. 1820 d. s. p. Detroit June 1894, Son of William 5 and .....Penfield.

M. .....Maryette Northrop dau. Andrew and Eliza (Wight) Northrup, b. July 1, 1825. His father's first wife was Sarah Bryant (Oct. 14, 1776 Aug. 31, 1816), aunt, "I believe of William Cullen Bryant." William, Jr. and wife left quite a legacy to charitable institutions. Mrs. Lathrop suggests that in case any Penfield data turns up the discoverer contact her as there may be important clues.

Too much emphasis can not be placed on clearing a copy of all answers to queries back through the Editors of the Society. These answers often have a general interest.

Mr. J. E. Letson (L-5) has contributed a list of names comprising a confirmatory grant dated 1764, Proprietors of Twp. of Liverpool, Nova Scotia, County of Queens. Date of Grant 1759. Persons coming chiefly from Mass. with some from Conn., R. I. and what is now Maine. Also a list of marriages performed by Rev. John Payzant at Liverpool, Queens Co., N. S. from 1792 to 1827.

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